

U.S. Department of Justice
Immigration and Naturalization Service

Application for Certificate of Citizenship

Instructions

(Tear off this instruction sheet before filling out this form)

This form must be filled in completely. Print the answers in ink or use typewriter. If any question does not apply to this application, please print "N/A" in the answer line. If you do not have enough room for any answer or if the instructions tell you to use a separate sheet of paper, use another sheet this size, giving the answer the same number as the number of the question, and attach it to the application. You will later be notified to appear for an examination before an officer of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS). You may be requested to bring a relative or other witness to provide additional testimony.

AGE OF APPLICANT- Applicants 14 years of age or over must sign their full names in the space provided on page 3 of this application. If under 14 years, only the parent or guardian must sign his or her name and only in the space provided on page 3.

FEE - A fee of one hundred and eighty five dollars (\$185) must be paid for filing this application. It cannot be refunded, regardless of the action taken on the application. **DO NOT MAIL CASH. ALL FEES MUST BE SUBMITTED IN THE EXACT AMOUNT.** Payment by check or money order must be drawn on a bank or other institution located in United States and be payable in United States currency. If the applicant resides in Guam, and is filing the application in Guam, the check or money order must be payable to the "Treasurer, Guam." If the applicant resides in the U.S. Virgin Islands, and is filing the application in the U.S. Virgin Islands the check or money order must be payable to the "Commissioner of Finance of the Virgin Islands." All other applicants must make the check or money order payable to the "Immigration and Naturalization Service." When a check is drawn on account of a person other than the applicant, the name of the applicant must be entered on the face of the check. If the application is submitted from outside the United States, remittance may be made by a bank international money order or foreign draft drawn on a financial institution in the United States and payable to the Immigration and Naturalization Service in United States currency. Personal checks are accepted subject to collectibility. An uncollectible check will render the application and any document issued pursuant thereto invalid. A charge of \$30.00 will be imposed if a check in payment of a fee is not honored by the bank on which it is drawn.

PHOTOGRAPHS - With this application, you are required to send three identical unglazed, colored photographs of yourself taken within 30 days of the date of this application. These photographs must be 2 x 2 inches in size, and the distance from top of head to point of chin should be approximately 1 1/4 inches; must *not* be pasted on a card or mounted in any other way; must be on thin paper, have a light background, and clearly show a three-quarter profile view of the features of the applicant with head bare (unless the applicant is wearing a headdress as required by a religious order of which he or she is a member.) Snapshots, groups or full - length portraits or machine - made photographs will not be accepted. **YOUR PHOTOGRAPHS MUST NOT BE SIGNED**, but you should print your name and alien registration number, if any, in the center of the *back* of each photograph lightly with a soft lead pencil. taking care not to mutilate the photograph.

FACTS CONCERNING ARRIVAL IN THE UNITED STATES - Detailed information should be given in Statement 3 regarding your first arrival in the United States for permanent residence in this country. The information regarding the number of the passport and date and place of issuance does not need to be given unless you traveled on a *United States* passport at that time. If you do not know the exact date of arrival or name of the vessel or port and cannot obtain this information, give the facts of your arrival to the best of your ability. If you have a permanent resident card or alien registration receipt card, immigrant identification card, ship's card or baggage labels, they will help you to give this information.

NAME TO BE SHOWN ON CERTIFICATE - The certificate will be issued only in a name that you have a legal right to use.

DOCUMENTS - If your birth abroad, or the birth abroad of any person through whom citizenship is claimed, was registered with an American Consul abroad, submit with this application any registration form that was issued. **If any required documents were submitted to and RETAINED by the American Consul in connection with such registration, or in connection with the issuance of a United States passport or in any other official matter, and you wish to use such documents in connection with this application instead of submitting duplicate copies, merely list the documents in Statement 14 of the application and give the location of the Consulate.** If you wish to make similar use of required documents contained in any INS file, list them in Statement 14 and identify the file by name, number and location. Otherwise, the documents as mentioned in the box on page 6 applicable to your case (see over) must accompany your application and, for any required document not furnished, you must explain why, what efforts you have made to get it, and if possible, enclose a statement from the official custodian of such records showing that the document is not available. You should also forward for consideration, in lieu of that document, a record or the affidavits described under **SECONDARY EVIDENCE**, on the reverse of this page.

If any person through whom citizenship is claimed became a citizen through his or her parent(s), but does not have a certificate of citizenship (with a number preceded by an A or AA) in his or her own name, communicate with the INS for information as to additional documents that must be submitted.

REPORTING BURDEN. An agency may not conduct or sponsor an information collection and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control numbers. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one (1) hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to U.S. Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service, HQPDI, 425 I Street N.W., Room 4034, Washington, DC 20536. OMB No. 1115-0018. **DO NOT MAIL YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THIS ADDRESS.**

INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

Any document in a foreign language must be accompanied by a translation in English. The translator must certify that he or she is competent to translate and that the translation is accurate. Do not send a Certificate of Naturalization or Citizenship and do not make any copy of such a certificate. An interview in connection with your application will be scheduled before an officer of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and any Certificate of Naturalization or Citizenship may be presented in person at that time. If the law does not prohibit the making of copies, send a legible copy of any document that you submit with the application, but bring the original of any submitted copy with you to the interview. The original will be returned to you and the copy retained. You may be called upon to present proof of a parent's residence or physical presence in the United States.

IF CLAIMING CITIZENSHIP THROUGH FATHER (OR BOTH PARENTS)

1. Applicant's birth certificate.
2. Marriage certificate of applicant's parents.
3. If applicant's parents were married before their marriage to each other, death certificate or divorce decree showing the termination of any previous marriage of each parent.
4. If applicant is a woman and has ever been married, her marriage certificate(s).
5. If applicant's parent(s) became citizen(s) at birth, birth certificate(s) of
6. Death certificate(s) of applicant's parent(s), if deceased.
7. If applicant is an adopted child, applicant's adoption

IF CLAIMING CITIZENSHIP THROUGH MOTHER

1. Applicant's birth certificate.
2. Marriage certificate(s) of applicant's mother.
3. If applicant is a woman and has ever been married, her marriage certificate(s).
4. If applicant's mother became a citizen of the United States at birth, mother's birth certificate.
5. If applicant is claiming citizenship through mother's marriage before September 22, 1922, to applicant's stepfather, death certificate or divorce decree showing termination of any previous marriage(s) of mother and stepfather.
6. If applicant is claiming citizenship through mother's marriage before September 22, 1922, to applicant's stepfather and stepfather became a citizen of the United States at birth, stepfather's birth certificate.
7. Death certificate of applicant's mother, if deceased.

IF CLAIMING CITIZENSHIP THROUGH HUSBAND

(NOTE: APPLICABLE ONLY IF MARRIAGE OCCURRED PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 22, 1922.)

1. If husband through whom citizenship is claimed became a citizen of the United States at birth, husband's birth certificate.
2. Applicant's marriage certificate(s).
3. If either applicant or the husband through whom she is claiming citizenship was married before their marriage to each other, death certificate or divorce decree showing the termination of each such prior marriage(s).
4. If applicant's marriage to the husband through whom she is claiming citizenship has terminated, death certificate or divorce decree showing a termination.

SECONDARY EVIDENCE

If it is not possible to obtain any one of the required documents or records shown above, the following may be submitted for consideration:

1. **Baptismal certificate.** - A certificate under the seal of the church where the baptism occurred, showing date and place of the child's birth, date of baptism, the names of the godparents, if known.
2. **School record.** - A letter from the school authorities having jurisdiction over school attended (preferably the first school), showing the date of admission to the school, child's date of birth or age at that time, place of birth, and the names and places of birth of parents, if shown in the school records.
3. **Census record.** - State or Federal census record showing the name(s) and place(s) of birth, and date(s) of birth or age(s) of the person(s) listed.
4. **Affidavits.** - Notarized affidavits of two persons who were living at the time and who have personal knowledge of the event you are trying to prove - for example, the date and place of a birth, marriage or death. The persons making the affidavits may be relatives and need not be citizens of the United States. Each affidavit should contain the following information regarding the person making the affidavit: his or her full name and address date and place of birth, relationship to you, if any; full information concerning the event, and complete details concerning how he or she acquired knowledge of the event.

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FEE STAMP

Take or mail this application to:
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

Date _____

(Print or type)

(Full, True Name, without Abbreviations)

nee _____

(Maiden name, if any)

(Apartment number, Street address, and if appropriate, "in care of")

(City) (Country) (State) (Zip Code)

(Telephone Number)

ALIEN REGISTRATION

NO. _____

(SEE INSTRUCTIONS. BE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND EACH QUESTION BEFORE YOU ANSWER IT.)

I hereby apply to the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization for a certificate showing that I am a citizen of the United States of America.

(1) I was born in _____ on _____
(City) (State or Country) (Month) (Day) (Year)

(2) My personal description is: _____; height _____ feet _____ inches;

Marital status: ☐ Single; ☐ Married; ☐ Divorced; ☐ Widow(er).

(3) I arrived in the United States at _____ on _____
(City and State) (Month) (Day) (Year)

under the name _____ by means of _____
(Name of ship or other means of arrival)

☐ on U. S. Passport _____ issued to me at _____ on _____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

☐ on an Immigrant Visa. ☐ Other _____

(4) FILL IN THIS BLOCK ONLY IF YOU ARRIVED IN THE UNITED STATES BEFORE JULY 1, 1924.

(a) My last permanent foreign residence was _____
(City) (Country)

(b) I took the ship or other conveyance to the United States _____
(City) (Country)

(c) I was coming to _____ at _____
(Name of person in the United States) (City and State where this person was living)

(d) I traveled to the United States _____
(Names of passengers or relatives with whom you traveled, and their relationship to you, if any)

(5) Have you been out of the United States since you first ☐ Yes ☐ No; If "Yes," fill in the following information for every absence.

DATE	DATE	Name of airlines or other means used to return to the United States	Port of return to the United States

(6) I _____ filed a petition for naturalization. (If "have," attach full explanation.)
(have) (have)

TO THE APPLICANT. - Do not write between the double lines below. Continue on next page.

ARRIVAL RECORDS

Card index _____
Index _____
Manifest _____

ARRIVAL RECORD

Plac _____ Date _____
Nam _____
Manne _____
Marital status _____ Age _____

(Signature of person making)

(CONTINUE HERE)

(7) I claim United States citizenship through my (check whichever applicable) ☐ father ☐ mother; ☐ both parents;

☐ adoptive parent(s); ☐ husband

(8) My father's name is _____; he was born on _____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

at _____; and resides at _____
(City) (State or Country) (Street address, city and State or country. If dead, write

_____ He became a citizen of the United States by ☐ birth; ☐ naturalization on _____
"dead" and date of death.) (Month) (Day) (Year)

in _____ Certificate of Naturalization No. _____
(Name of court, city and State)

☐ through his parent(s), and _____ issued Certificate of Citizenship No. A or AA _____
(was) (was not)

(If known) His former Alien Registration No. was _____

He _____ lost United States citizenship. (If citizenship lost, attach full explanation.)

He resided in the United States from _____ t _____; from _____ to _____; from _____ to _____
(has) (has not) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year)
from _____ to _____; from _____ to _____; I am the child of his _____ marriage.
(Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (1st, 2d, 3d, etc.)

(9) My mother's present name is _____; her maiden name was _____;

she was born _____; at _____; she resides
(Month) (Day) (Year) (City) (State or country)

at _____ She became a citizen of the
(Street address, city, and State or country. If dead, write "dead" and date of death.)

United States by ☐ birth; ☐ naturalization under the name of _____

on _____ in the _____;
(Month) (Day) (Year) (Name of court, city, and State)

Certificate of Naturalization No. _____; ☐ through her parent(s), and _____ issued Certificate of
(was) (was not)

Citizenship No. A or AA _____ (If known) Her former Alien Registration No. was _____

She _____ lost United States citizenship. (If citizenship lost, attach full explanation.)

She resided in the United States from _____ to _____; from _____ to _____; from _____ to _____;
(has) (has not) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year)
from _____ to _____; from _____ to _____; I am the child of her _____ marriage.
(Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (1st, 2d, 3d, etc.)

(10) My mother and my father were married to each other on _____ at _____
(Month) (Day) (Year) (City) (State or country)

(11) If claim is through adoptive parent(s):

I was adopted on _____ in the _____
(Month) (Day) (Year) (Name of Court)

at _____ by my _____ who were not United States citizens at that time.
(City or town) (State) (Country) (mother, father, parents)

(12) My _____ served in the Armed Forces of the United States from _____ to _____ and _____
(father) (mother) (Date) (Date) (was) (was not)

honorably discharged.

(13) I _____ lost my United States citizenship. (If citizenship lost, attach full explanation.)
(have) (have not)

(14) I submit the following documents with this application:

Nature of Document

Names of Persons Concerned

(15) Fill in this block if your brother, sister, mother or father ever applied to the INS for a certificate of citizenship.

NAME OF RELATIVE	RELATIONSHIP	DATE OF BIRTH	WHEN APPLICATION SUBMITTED	CERTIFICATE NO. AND FILE NO., IF KNOWN, AND LOCATION OF OFFICE

(16) Fill in this block only if you are now or ever have been a married woman. I have been married _____ time(s), as follows:
(1, 2, 3 etc.)

DATE MARRIED	NAME OF HUSBAND	CITIZENSHIP OF HUSBAND	IF MARRIAGE HAS BEEN TERMINATED:	
			Date Marriage Ended	How Marriage Ended (Death or Divorce)

(17) Fill in this block only if you claim citizenship through a husband. (Marriage must have occurred prior to September 22, 1922.)

Name of citizen husband _____ ; he was born on _____
(Give full and complete name) (Month) (Day) (Year)
at _____ ; and resides at _____ He became a citizen of the
(City) (State or country) (Street address, city, and State or country. If dead, write "dead" and date of death.)
United States by ☐ birth; ☐ naturalization on _____ in the _____ Certificate of
(Month) (Day) (Year) (Name of court, city, and state)
Naturalization No. _____ ; ☐ through his parent(s), and _____ issued Certificate of Citizenship No. A or AA
(was) (was not)
_____ . He _____ since lost United States citizenship. (If citizenship lost, attach full explanation.)
(has) (has not)
I am of the _____ race. Before my marriage to him, he was married _____ time(s), as follows:
(1, 2, 3 etc.)

DATE MARRIED	NAME OF WIFE	IF MARRIAGE HAS BEEN TERMINATED:	
		Date Marriage Ended	How Marriage Ended (Death or Divorce)

(18) Fill in this block only if you claim citizenship through your stepfather. (Applicable only if mother married U. S. Citizen prior to September 22, 1922.)

The full name of my stepfather is _____ ; he was born on _____ at _____ ;
(Month) (Day) (Year) (City) (State or country)
and resides at _____ He became a citizen of the United States by ☐ birth;
(Street address, city, and State or country. If dead, write "dead" and date of death.)
☐ naturalization on _____ in the _____ Certificate of Naturalization No. _____ ;
(Month) (Day) (Year) (Name of court, City and State)
☐ through his parent(s), _____ issued Certificate of Citizenship No. A or AA _____ He _____ since lost United
(was) (was not) (has) (has not)
States citizenship. (If citizenship lost, attach full explanation.) He and my mother were married to each other on _____ at _____
(Month) (Day) (Year) (City and State or country)
My mother is of the _____ race. She _____ issued Certificate of Citizenship No. A _____
(was) (was not)
Before marrying my mother, my stepfather was married _____ time(s), as follows:
(1, 2, 3 etc.)

DATE MARRIED	NAME OF WIFE	IF MARRIAGE HAS BEEN TERMINATED:	
		Date Marriage Ended	How Marriage Ended (Death or Divorce)

(19) I _____ previously applied for a certificate of citizenship on _____ , at _____
(have) (have not) (Date) (Office)

(20) Signature of person preparing form, if other than applicant. I declare that this document was prepared by me at the request of the applicant and is based on all information of which I have any knowledge.

SIGNATURE _____

ADDRESS: _____

DATE _____

(SIGN HERE) _____

(Signature of applicant or parent or guardian)

APPLICANT. - Do not fill in or sign anything on this page

AFFIDAVIT

I, the _____, do swear
(Applicant, parent, guardian)
that I know and understand the contents of this application, signed by me,
and of attached supplementary pages numbered () to (),
inclusive; that the same are true to the best of my knowledge and belief; and
that corrections numbered () to () were made by me or at my
request.

(Signature of applicant, parent, guardian)

Subscribed and sworn to before me upon examination of the applicant
(parent, guardian) at _____,
this _____ day of _____,
and continued solely for:

(Officer's Signature and Title)

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON APPLICATION

On the basis of the documents, records, and persons examined, and the identification upon personal appearance of the underage beneficiary, I find that
all the facts and conclusions set forth under oath in this application are _____ true and correct; that the applicant did _____ derive or acquire United
States citizenship _____, through
(Month) (Day) (Year)

and that (s)he _____ been expatriated since that time. I recommend that this application be _____ and that
(has) (has not) (granted) (denied)

_____ Certificate of citizenship be _____ issued in the name of _____
(A) (AA)

In addition to the documents listed in Item 14, the following documents and records have been examined:

<i>Person Examined</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Relationship to Applicant</i>	<i>Date Testimony Heard</i>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Supplementary Report(s) No.(s) _____ Attached.

Date _____

(Officer's Signature and Title)

I do _____ concur in the recommendation

Date _____

(Signature of District Director or Officer in Charge)